STAFFORD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Agenda Consideration

TOPIC: Award of Contract: Sidewalk

Improvements – Austin Ridge

Parkway

PREPARED BY: Tom Henry MEETING: July 11, 2006

Project Manager June 20, 2006

ACTION DATE: July 11, 2006 Scott Horan, INFORMATION ONLY: N/A

ITEM NO.: 13G

Executive Director Planning & Construction

Andre' A. Nougaret, Assistant Superintendent for Support Services

ACTION REQUESTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT: That the School Board approve the award of a construction contract in the amount of \$88,150.00 to Joy Construction, 4711-B Ewell Road, Fredericksburg, Virginia to construct sidewalk along a part of Austin Ridge Parkway to support pedestrian access to Anthony Burns Elementary School.

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- 1. In January/February 2005 residents of the Austin Ridge Subdivision met with staff to discuss Anthony Burns Elementary School and pedestrian access. During the meeting the subdivision representatives expressed concern that there was no pedestrian access (sidewalk) along Austin Ridge Parkway between Gallery Road (street that accesses ABES) and Tavern Street. Staff explained to the Austin Ridge representatives that the School Board did not have the ability to fund the sidewalk and recommended they consult with the developer and/or their Board of Supervisor (BOS) representative.
- 2. In March/April 2005, BOS Hartwood representative requested the School Board oversee the construction of the sidewalk in-conjunction with the construction of ABES. BOS approved the project and the necessary funding.
- 3. In April 2005, staff contracted with PHR&A, one of SCPS's open-ended A/E civil engineer firms. PHR&A is also responsible for the ABES site design. In May 2005, PHR&A provided a cost estimate for design and construction of the sidewalk. The estimated cost (\$200K) was transferred from the County Transportation Fund to the School Board.
- 4. The sidewalk design was initiated in October 2005 and was completed in May 2006. Project will be advertised and bid as a separate construction project from ABES.
- 5. In May the project was advertised for bid through the Stafford County Purchasing Department. On June 16, 2006 a pre-bid conference was held. Three (3) bidders either attended or requested bid packages. On June 29, 2006 bids were opened. Three (3) bidders submitted full scope bids. Joy Construction of Fredericksburg, Virginia is the apparent responsive and responsible bidder with a low bid of \$88,150. Staff has reviewed the bid, checked references and feel confident the bidder is qualified. Joy

Construction has worked for SCPS on several past projects with superb results.

6. If approved by the School Board staff plans to award the contract and issue a notice to proceed in July 2006. Work will be complete no later than September 2006.

SCHOOL BOARD GOAL: #5 – Provide facilities that promote student learning and And community support.

#7 – Provide school environments where teachers are safe to teach and students are safe to learn.

FUNDING SOURCE: County Transportation Funds

AUTHORIZATION REFERENCE: Stafford County School Board Policy 4-12 Stafford County School Board Policy 4-29